

OPTIONS COURSE

ART & DESIGN

ACCREDITING AUTHORITY | AQA

QUALIFICATION

GCSE

FACULTY

ART, DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY

STAFF CONTACT

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WHAT QUALITIES & SKILLS DO I NEED?

You should be enthusiastic and want to develop your skills and ability to create exciting works of Art that reflects your personality and interests.

COURSE FOLLOWED

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WHAT WILL I DO ON THE COURSE?

You will have the opportunity to create your own art works and develop your ability to understand and write about the work of other artists. You will use a range of new & traditional materials and techniques. The course is practical and will encourage your imagination, Art skills and creativity.

HOW IS THE COURSE ORGANISED & ASSESSED?

The course is 60% coursework, 40% exam. You are given the exam paper prior to your exam to enable you to research and plan your final piece. Coursework is divided into three units of study:

Unit One	Urban Landscape
Unit Two	Portraits
Unit Three	Mock Exam

Each of the above units will be a starting point for you to create your own artwork. For each completed unit, you will produce a wide range of artworks using areas such as Painting and Drawing, Mixed Media, Ceramics, ICT, Printing together with Digital Photography and Adobe Photoshop.



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHAT IS THE PROGRESSION ROUTE FOR THE COURSE?

BTEC Level 3 Creative courses; AS/A2 Art courses

DO YOU HAVE TO DO ANY WRITING?

Yes. 25% of your grade depends on your written annotations.

DO I HAVE TO WORK MUCH OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM?

Yes. You must do the same amount of H/W as any other GCSE and you are expected to work more independently.

CAN I DRAW AND PAINT WHAT I WANT?

No. You will be given a project brief and you must satisfy the assessment criteria.

DO I HAVE TO SIT AN EXAM?

Yes but it is a practical exam 'unit' not a traditional written exam.

IS THERE A BTEC OPTION FOR THIS SUBJECT?

There are two pathways to achievement in this subject. The GCSE route and the BTEC route. Your class teacher will continually assess your progress and make a judgment on the path you will follow by the end of Year 10.

